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FOREIGN NEWS ON APPLES

THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET

American boxed apples at the Liverpool auction Wednesday, January 7, were selling at about the same low levels as reported December 22, according to a cable from Fred A. Motz, Fruit Specialist in Europe for the Foreign Service of the Department of Agriculture. No barreled apple prices were reported this week. Boxed apples continue, as they have all season, to sell at lower prices than at this time last year. The light supplies of boxed apples met with a dull demand. The condition of the fruit was good. A few sales of Virginia York Imperials in baskets were made about \$1.95.

Boxed pear prices continue to decline and are selling at much lower prices than at this time last year in the United Kingdom. London prices were below those paid at Liverpool. Supplies of boxed pears were light at both Liverpool and London. The condition of the fruit was generally good.

Demand was moderate for the light supplies of American barreled apples at London. Prices were about the same as reported December 22, which were about the lowest for the season. Supplies of boxed apples were moderate and met a moderate inquiry. Prices were similar to those paid at Liverpool for boxed stock. The condition of the fruit was good.

The equivalent of 198,000 boxes of apples arrived in United Kingdom ports from Canada and the United States last week as compared with 154,000 boxes the previous week. The equivalent of some 307,000 boxes is expected to arrive next week. With these large supplies in view, prices will probably not be any higher than those of this week. About 25,600 packages of South African peaches, plums and apricots arrived in the United Kingdom last week and 58,000 packages are expected next week. Oranges are now arriving in volume in the United Kingdom. Last week, 100,000 boxes of Jaffa oranges arrived and 141,000 boxes are expected next week. The equivalent of 300,000 boxes of Spanish oranges arrived last week and 370,000 the week before.

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Prices paid for American fruit at Liverpool and London.

Variety, grade and origin	Liverpool			London	
	1930	1930	1931	1931	
	January 8	Dec. 22	Jan. 7	Jan. 7	
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	
<u>APPLES</u>	<u>BARRELS:</u>				
York Imperials, Va.:					
U.S.No. 1, 2 inch	---	---	---	6.08-6.33	
U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch ..	6.57-7.06	6.19-6.67	---	6.57	
Unclassified, 2 inch ..	---	---	---	4.87-5.11	
Albemarle Pippins, Va.:					
Unclassified, 2 inch ..	---	---	---	6.57	
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.:	6.81-7.54	---	---	6.57	
Winesaps, Va.:					
U.S.No. 1, 2 inch	6.33-6.81 a/	---	---	6.57	
	<u>BASKETS:</u>				
York Imperials, Va.:					
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch.:	---	---	1.95	---	
Jónathans, Va.:					
U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch ...	---	---	---	2.49-2.62	
	<u>BOXES:</u>				
Newtowns, Oregon:					
Ex. Fancy, 150/175 ...	4.01-4.08 b/	2.62-2.86	2.68-3.16	2.43-2.80	
Ex. Fancy, 188/smaller:	3.65-3.89 b/	2.62-2.74	2.43-2.55	2.49-2.74	
Fancy, 150/175	3.77-3.83 b/	2.62	2.55-2.92	2.43	
Fancy, 188/smaller ...:	3.35-3.41 b/	2.38-2.50	2.43	2.31-2.55	
Spitzenbergs, Oregon:					
Ex. Fancy, 150/175 ...	---	---	2.55-2.68	2.37-2.43	
Ex. Fancy, 188/smaller:	---	2.50	2.43	2.43	
Fancy, 150/175	---	---	2.49	2.25	
Fancy, 188/smaller ...:	---	2.14-2.38	2.43	---	
Winesaps, Washington:					
Extra Fancy, 150/175..	2.80	---	---	2.37-2.43	
Extra Fancy, 188/smaller:	2.68	---	---	2.19-2.43	
Fancy, 150/175	2.68	---	---	2.19-2.43	
Fancy, 188/smaller	2.43-2.55	2.08-2.14	---	2.19-2.31	
<u>PEARS</u>	<u>BOXES:</u>				
Anjous, Oregon, Ex. Fancy:	3.22-3.89 b/	---	2.43-2.55	---	
Winter Nelis, Wash:					
Extra Fancy	3.16-3.47 b/	2.68-3.71	2.43	1.95-2.19	
Fancy	---	---	2.31	---	
Morceaus, Calif. Fancy ..	---	1.67-1.73	---	2.07	
<u>GRAPEFRUIT</u>	<u>BOXES:</u>				
Florida, 70/80's	3.41-4.14 c/	---	3.28-3.89	2.68-3.16	
Florida, 96's	---	---	2.98-3.89	3.53-4.14	
Jaffa, 80's	3.41 b/	---	3.53	2.86	
Jaffa, 120's	3.41 b/	---	2.43	---	

NOTE: Quotations are for fruit in good condition unless otherwise noted.

a/ U.S. No. 2, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. b/ Jan. 15, 1930.

c/ Porto Rican, Jan. 15, 1930.